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	First Inventor	Robiet et al.
	Title	An Instrument System For Preparing A Disc Space Between Adjacent
	Express Mail Label No.	EY043786173US

<b>APPLICATION ELEMENTS</b> <small>See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.</small>	<b>ADDRESS TO:</b> Assistant Commissioner for Patents Box Patent Application Washington, D.C. 20231
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## Complete if Known

Application Number	Herewith
Filing Date	Herewith
First Named Inventor	Robie et al.
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Attorney Docket No.	Implex-13

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102 84	202 42	Independent claims in excess of 3	
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109 84	209 42	** Reissue independent claims over original patent	
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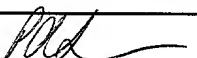
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112 920*	112 920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
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115 110	215 55	Extension for reply within first month	
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120 320	220 160	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
121 280	221 140	Request for oral hearing	
138 1,510	138 1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
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169 900	169 900	Request for expedited examination of a design application	
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Title of Invention: AN INSTRUMENT SYSTEM FOR PREPARING A DISC SPACE BETWEEN ADJACENT VERTEBRAL BODIES TO RECEIVE A REPAIR DEVICE

Inventors: ROBIE, Bruce; ZUBOK, Rafael; BLOUIN, Felix; WILHELMY, John

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